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## LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday – April 27, 2011

### I. Call To Order/ Roll Call

Chairperson Dina Kimble called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

Members present: Dina Kimble, Carl Goff, Scott Gordon, John Foster, Julia Dozier, and Acting Chief Glen Forman

A quorum was met.

Members absent: Richard Harris, Jack Buckhorn, and Les DenHerder

Review/Approval of the minutes of January 19, 2010

A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Commissioner Dozier and seconded by Commissioner Gordon. The minutes were approved.

### II. Update on Pending Bills

- **SB56: Apprenticeship Oversight** – oversight by Corbett. This bill changes the rules of the makeup of the CAC. It would provide the no two employee representatives may be from the same national or international labor organization as defined and it also changes the audit requirements when programs get audited.  
The bill has not changed since the last time the committee met. It is currently in its 3<sup>rd</sup> reading in the Senate. The committee will continue to follow this bill.
- **AB15: Workforce Development:** CA Renewable Energy Workforce Readiness Initiative: Local Workforce Investment Boards – This bill has not changed or moved since last visited by the committee. This bill requires CWIB, along with the Green Collar Jobs Council, to create initiative to provide guidance to local WIBS on how to establish green collar job assessment, training and placement programs. Requires CWIB to collect labor market data to assess the training needs of regional industry clusters. The committee will move to pending status.
- **AB362: Elections;** office of superior court judge - This bill incorporated the enforcement language exactly as was created over the last three years by the CAC Legislation committee, but eliminated the needs tests. The bill died in the assembly.
- **AB311: Employment Labor Standards Consultation Unit:** This bill would establish in the Division of the Labor Standards Consultation Unit for the purpose of providing consulting services to an employer or an employee regarding compliance with labor standards. This bill would state the intent of the legislature that the unit ultimately be self supporting and to further that end would authorize that unit to charge a fee for consulting services

provided, not to exceed the actual cost to the unit and to further fund its operation from grants obtained from for-profit or not for-profit non governmental and governmental entities. The bill would prohibit the division from citing an employer for a violation of any labor standard order or regulation discovered as a result of an employer requesting or accepting services from the unit pursuant to the bill if the employer remedies the violation within 30 days and the employer is not the subject of an ongoing investigation by the division.

Chairperson Kimble continued to state what the bill essentially doing is creating a means for contractors to ask what the right thing to do is, get an answer and then not be subject to penalties. If the answer were deemed to be wrong, then the employer would still have to fix the violation accordingly. This bill is in the Labor & Employment committee. The CAC Legislation committee will continue to follow this bill.

- **AB544: Employment Workforce Services:** Authored by Atkins; This bill would require the California Workforce Investment Board and each local board to ensure that programs and services funded by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and directed to apprenticeable occupations, including pre-apprenticeship training, are conducted in coordination with one or more apprenticeship programs approved by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards for the occupation and geographic area. The bill would also require the California Workforce Investment Board and each local board to develop a policy of fostering collaboration between community colleges and approved apprenticeship programs in the geographic area to provide pre-apprenticeship training, apprenticeship training, and continuing education in apprenticeable occupations through the approved apprenticeship programs.
- **AB848: Apprenticeship Programs:** Authored by Campos; This bill would require the Superintendent or the Chancellor to require recipients of reimbursements for related and supplemental instruction to report annually, prior to receiving reimbursement, information concerning the number and percentage of apprentices who have received postsecondary educational credit and the amount of credit earned, and the number and percentage of apprentice graduates who have completed a postsecondary degree. The bill would require this information to be formatted for collection and presentation so as to best convey pupil progress toward degree completion for each participating institution and would also require the Superintendent or Chancellor, upon request, to provide the information to the Division of Apprenticeship Standards.

Public comments on the pros and cons of the bill were made. The committee will continue to follow this bill.

### III. Action Items

- a. Proposed language for 1777.7  
This item was taken care of at the last meeting.

### V. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:42 P.M.